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OF THE

SELECTMEN AND OTHER TOWN OFFICERS

OF

PLAINFIELD, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the inhabitants of the town of Plainfield, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in Plainfield, in said town, on the second Tuesday of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose a Town Clerk, three Selectmen, Treasurer, Collector, Highway Surveyors, Prosecuting Liquor Agent, one Library Trustee for three years, and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year. *4 of 18*

Article 2. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay outstanding notes and interest and other necessary town expenses for the ensuing year. *1/4 of one percent*

Article 3. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for repairs of highways and bridges above the amount required by law for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for Memorial Day.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay the School Board the ensuing year.

Article 6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the expenses of Old Home Week.

Article 7. To see what sum of money, if any, the town will vote to raise for the purchasing of one or more road machines.

Article 8. To see what sum of money, if any, the town will vote to raise for the support of an annual free bed



in the Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital, also appoint committees or make regulations regarding the same.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to accept the gift of \$150 from Mrs. Sophia R. Baker, the income of which shall be used for the perpetual care of the Stevens lot and the adjoining lot of W. O. Kenyon in the Plain Cemetery, so called, also to see what rate of interest the town will vote to pay upon this fund.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to build a stone culvert near the Dow lot on the highway leading from Charles Williams' to Willis K. Daniels', also to see what sum of money it will vote to raise to build the same.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to dispense with a liquor agent for the ensuing year.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to dispense with delivering inventory blanks until time of taking the inventory.

Article 13. To see what action the town will take in relation to the reports of the town officers.

Article 14. To transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 23d day of February, 1905.

ROBERT R. PENNIMAN,	} Selectmen of Plainfield.
ALFRED P. JENNEY,	
FRANK W. TRUE,	

A true copy of warrant attest.

ROBERT R. PENNIMAN,	} Selectmen of Plainfield
ALFRED P. JENNEY,	
FRANK W. TRUE,	

## REPORT OF SELECTMEN

### Inventory of town taken April 1, 1904

No. of polls, 280	\$ 28000 00
Real estate	406225 00
Horses, 477	26713 00
Oxen, 86	5137 00
Cows, 618	19165 00
Neat, 385	6479 00
Sheep, 1385	3276 00
Vehicles	1200 00
Bank stock	10650 00
Money at interest	19172 00
Stock in trade	20583 00
Mills	4300 00
	<hr/> \$550900 00

### Amount of taxes raised for all purposes:

State tax	\$ 588 00
County tax	1608 75
Town tax	2000 00
Town hall	250 00
School tax	1178 00
"    extra	300 00
Schoolhouse repairs	150 00
Plain schoolhouse	250 00
School board	100 00
Memorial Day	50 00
Library	58 80
Old Home Week	50 00
Highways	1377 25
"    extra	500 00
Percentage	355 60
	<hr/> \$ 8814 40

Rate \$1 60

## ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

### RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1904	\$ 1796 88
Total receipts during the year	10737 67
	<u>          </u> \$12534 55

### DISBURSEMENTS

Total disbursements during the year	\$10938 11
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1905	1596 44
	<u>          </u> \$12534 55

### DEBT

Liabilities Feb. 15, 1904	\$ 4823 47
Assets	3893 95
	<u>          </u>
Balance against town Feb. 15, 1904	\$ 929 52
Liabilities Feb. 15, 1905	\$ 3999 95
Assets	3516 17
	<u>          </u>
Balance against town Feb. 15, 1904	\$ 483 78
Decrease of balance during the year	\$ 445 74

### RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1904	\$ 1796 88
Taxes from collectors	8788 36
Savings Bank tax	334 64
Literary fund	113 85
R. R. tax	107 60
County support paupers	778 32
"            dependent soldiers	175 23
Dog licenses	238 17



Land rent	\$94 58
Bounties on hedgehogs	24 00
Miscellaneous	83 02
	<hr/> \$12534 55

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Town officers	\$ 442 75
County poor	625 30
Dependent soldiers' aid	119 28
Highways and bridges	2128 69
Support of schools	1803 01
School board	100 00
"    supplies	141 89
"    house repairs	150 00
Moving Plain schoolhouse	291 57
State tax	588 00
County tax	1608 75
Interest on trust funds	39 00
Tuition of scholars	953 00
Debt and interest	1002 40
Town library	58 80
Librarians	50 00
Memorial Day	20 26
Dog orders	20 00
Bounties on hedgehogs	17 00
Fencing and repairs on cemeteries	113 33
Old Home Week	50 00
Damage on highway	21 75
Board of health services and expense of quarantine on lumber camp	349 76
Miscellaneous	241 57
	<hr/> \$10938 11

## LIABILITIES

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Outstanding notes and interest	\$2485 34
Lucy P. Chamberlin cemetery fund	600 00
Interest on same	36 00
Westgate-Peterson cemetery fund	150 00
Interest on same	4 50
Cyrus Smith cemetery fund	50 00
Dog fund	196 37
Memorial fund	29 74
M. G. Penniman, services as clerk	25 00
E. G. Kenyon, " treasurer	40 00
R. R. Penniman, " selectman	67 25
A. P. Jenney, " "	41 00
F. W. True, " "	41 75
Overseers of poor	25 00
S. W. Clark, collector	100 00
School board	100 00
W. W. Jordan, district treasurer	8 00
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	\$3999 95



## ASSETS

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Due from county Feb. 15, 1905	\$ 179 90
Harry L. Duncan, land rent	2 55
Joseph Goodwin, "	19 50
L. E. Shipman, "	8 00
O. A. Stearns, "	3 45
D. W. Cross, "	23 32
Charles French, "	5 00
Elmer E. Wheeler, "	26 66
Isabella Tompkinson Green, land rent	1 50
S. T. Jordan, land rent	2 50
Mrs. Cornelia Jordan, land rent	2 50
S. W. Clark, collector 1901	2 12
"              1902	44 52
"              1903	246 13
"              1904	1352 08
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1905	1596 44
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	\$3516 17
Balance against town Feb. 15, 1905	\$ 483 78

Respectfully submitted

ROBERT R. PENNIMAN	}	Selectmen of Plainfield
ALFRED P. JENNEY		
FRANK W. TRUE		

## REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR

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Town of Plainfield to Overseers of Poor,	Dr.
To cash paid for support of County poor, as follows:	
Thankful Brocklebank	\$95 75
Irvin H. Eaton	7 50
Lurinda Drew	41 25
Maude Morse and children	97 65
Gardner Gale	72 14
Fanny Barton	42 55
Edith Alexander	81 36
Charles Wood	4 58
William Walker	57 97
Vivian Alexander	54 30
Villa Alexander	56 50
Chester Picknell	13 75
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin: 0;"/> \$625 30

### DEPENDENT SOLDIERS' AID

A. J. Chapman	\$92 28
Mary Short	17 50
John Westgate	9 50
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	\$119 28
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	\$744 58

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By orders on treasurer for support of	
county poor	\$625 30
Dependent soldiers' aid	119 28
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	\$744 58



Due from County, Feb. 15, 1905, for support as follows:

Thankful Brocklebank	\$34 50
Maude Morse and children	45 65
Gardner Gale	20 10
Edith Alexander	26 68
Charles Wood	4 58
William Walker	15 39
Vivian Alexander	15 20
Villa Alexander	13 00
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	\$175 10

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS' AID

A. J. Chapman	\$4 30
Mary Short	50
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	4 80
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	\$179 90

Respectfully submitted

OZRO V. EASTMAN }  
FRANK W. TRUE } Overseers of Poor

## COLLECTOR'S STATEMENT

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Due from collector's 1899 book		\$1 86
Abated	\$1 86	
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		\$1 86
Due from collector's 1900 book		\$15 54
Collected	\$13 23	
Abated	2 31	
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		\$15 54
Due from collector's 1901 book		\$86 18
Collected	\$79 86	
Abated	4 20	
Now due	2 12	
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		\$86 18
Due from collector's 1902 book		\$268 11
Collected	\$207 02	
Abated	16 57	
Now due	44 52	
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		\$268 11
Due from collector's 1903 book		\$1316 28
Collected	\$1032 72	
Abated	37 43	
Now due	246 13	
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		\$1316 28



Amount on collector's 1904 book		\$8814 40
Collected	\$7447 28	
Abated	15 04	
Now due	1352 08	

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\$8814 40

Interest collected on above books \$8 15

S. W. CLARK, Collector

## DOG REPORT

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Received from town clerk for licenses		\$216 37
Paid E. C. Daniels	\$12 00	
Paid H. A. Gilson, constable	6 00	
Paid selectmen examinations	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$20 00

Balance in treasury \$196 37

F. W. TRUE, Selectman

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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### DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT

DR.

Cash received for licenses	\$238 17
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Cash paid treasurer	\$216 37
Fees on 109 dogs	21 80
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\$238 17

MAURICE G. PENNIMAN, Town Clerk

## TRUST FUNDS

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### LUCY PARKER CHAMBERLIN CEMETERY FUND.

Dr.

To cash unexpended 1903	\$10 80
To one year's interest	36 00
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	\$46 80

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By cash paid for labor and material	\$40 08
Remaining in hands of trustee	6 72
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	\$46 80

LUCY PARKER CHAMBERLIN, Trustee.

### CLARA FREEMAN CEMETERY FUND

Fund in Dartmouth Savings Bank	\$138 72
Interest due	7 64
Received for care of lot	90

WILLIS K. DANIELS, Trustee.

### CYRUS SMITH FUND

Fund in town treasury	\$50 00
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O. V. EASTMAN, Trustee.

### JUNIUS A. SPENCER FUND.

Cash paid for care of lot	1 00
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SELECTMEN, Trustees.



# ESTHER F. WRIGHT FUND

Amount in town treasury	\$100 00
Paid for care of lot and proportionate part for improvements in yard	2 00

JOHN W. PETERSON, Trustee.

# WESTGATE-PETERSON FUND

Amount in town treasury	\$150 00-
Interest due	4 50

JOHN W. PETERSON, Trustee.

# MEMORIAL DAY APPROPRIATION

Raised by vote of town	\$50 00
Paid for 11 doz. water proof flags	\$ 7 26
" " 6 " school flags	1 50
" " 1½ " markers	9 00
" " Personal services	2 50

	\$20 26
Unexpended	29 74

Remaining in hands of committee

8 doz. large flags and 4 markers.

GEORGE W. DOYLE, Committee.

## SUPPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

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### HIGHWAY FUND

Amount raised by law	\$1377 25
"        vote of town	500 00
" unexpended 1904	71 13
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	\$1948 38

### EXPENDITURES

Paid for labor	\$1823 44
" plank and stone	293 75
" gravel	11 50
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	\$2128 69
Deficit	\$180 31

## REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

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E. G. KENYON, TREASURER

Cash in treasury Feb' 15, 1904	\$ 1796 88
Received of M. G. Penniman, dog licenses	238 17
County support paupers	778 32
" dependent soldiers	175 23
L. E. Shipman land rent	8 00
Isabella T. Green   "	1 25
Joseph Goodwin   "	9 75
S. T. Jordan       "	5 00
Mrs. F. A. Jordan   "	2 50
O. A. Stearns       "	13 80
Harry L. Duncan   "	5 10
F. E. Jenney       "	9 16
Harold W. Chellis   "	40 02
F. W. True committee 306 ft. oak plank left from moving school house and used on highway	5 50
Received of S. A. Carter state treasurer, bounty on hedgehogs	24 00
Received of H. W. Keyes treasurer state board license committee	9 40
Received of Thomas Penniman treasurer Meriden and the appropriation made by the town in 1903	50 00
Received of rent of Town hall (Plain)	13 62
" Meriden	4 50
S. W. Clark, collector, 1900	13 23
" 1901	79 86
" 1902	207 02
" 1903	1032 72
" 1904	7447 28



S. W. Clark, collector interest on taxes	\$ 8 15
S. A. Carter state railroad tax	107 60
“ savings bank tax	334 64
“ literary fund	113 85
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	\$12534 55

PAID ORDERS OF SELECTMEN AS FOLLOWS

Perley Roberts' est., services as town clerk	20 00
E. G. Kenyon, services as treasurer	40 00
R. R. Penniman, services as selectman	68 75
O. V. Eastman, “ “	40 00
F. W. True, “ “	35 00
O. V. Eastman, F. W. True, overseers of poor	25 00
S. W. Clark, services as collector	100 00
W. W. Jordan, services of school board	100 00
“ “ services as district treasurer,	8 00
Lucy Parker Chamberlin, trustee interest on trustfund	36 00
F. A. Musgrove, printing town reports	32 00
O. V. Eastman, interest on note	292 40
E. R. Woodbury, tuitions winter term 1904	313 50
J. H. Hammond, moving schoolhouse (Plain)	90 00
H. C. Daniels, 620 ft. oak plank	11 16
L. S. Kenyon, services as librarian including wood and oil	25 00
E. G. Kenyon, work on school house	3 62
R. H. Penniman, one cord wood, town hall (Meriden)	4 00
Martha Smith, interest on note	10 00
E. C. Eastman, collector's book and blank bonds	2 34
E. R. Woodbury, tuition spring term 1904	225 50
Geo. W. Doyle, Memorial Day appropriation	20 26
Hattie M. Jenney, copying invoice	3 00
John Hadlock, repairs on road machine	8 50
F. E. Corey, damage on highway	20 00
Geo. S. Ruggles, Old Home Day appropriation	50 00
F. W. True, cash paid for ledger and express on same	10 33
Selectmen bounties on 30 hedgehogs to July 1, 1904	7 50
Mrs. John Jordan, cleaning town hall (Plain)	4 00

I. N. Fowler M. D., expenses of vaccination	\$ 8 50
J. H. Moore, repairs on road machine	5 00
Mrs. Marion Eastman, services as librarian (Meriden)	25 00
F. W. True, putting up hitch rail at town hall (Plain)	3 74
Geo. P. Cheney, printing notices	1 50
Mrs. L. S. Kenyon, support of library	58 80
M. M. Howard, painting hearse	20 00
C. S. Burr, repairs on hearse	5 65
Brainard Penniman, services as ballot inspector	
November and May elections	3 00
F. W. True, labor in Gilkey and Avery cemetery	75 25
H. C. Farnham, services as supervisor 2 years	18 00
F. L. French,                   "                   "                   "	18 00
A. K. Read,                   "                   "                   "	14 00
Fred Moulton, painting cemetery fence East Plainfield	10 40
"                   "                   services as town clerk	5 00
L. A. Purmort, error on county bill May term 1903	4 00
Emma F. Freeman, entertainment of election officers	4 00
F. W. True balance due on moving and underpinning schoolhouse (Plain)	186 79
B. F. Manchester, support of watering trough 2 years and table for town hall (Meriden)	3 75
E. R. Woodbury tuition fall term 1904	416 00
W. W. Jordan services as ballot inspector November and May elections	3 00
A. P. Jenney, fencing Woodward cemetery	27 68
O. S. Bugbee, indorsement on town note	250 00
Selectmen bounties on 38 hedgehogs July 1, 1904 to January 1, 1905	9 50
M. G. Penniman, license on 109 dogs	21 80
W. W. Jordan, school supplies	125 00
Ira Colby and Son, retainer for current year	15 00
I. N. Fowler M. D., returning births and deaths	1 75
R. H. Penniman, support watering trough	1 50
O. C. Davis,                   "                   "                   "	1 50
D. N. Moulton,               "                   "                   "	4 00
A. B. Chellis and Fred Moulton, services as auditors	4 00

D. F. Jordan, pass over land	\$ 5 00
L. E. Shipman, over tax 1904	16 00
Justin Smith, est., over tax 1903	8 08
H. A. Gilson, services as ballot inspector	2 00
M. D. Rowell, over tax 1904	1 60
S. W. Clark, care of Spencer lot	1 00
“ “ support of watering trough	2 00
David Emery, “ “ “	2 00
R. H. Penniman, one-half cord of wood for town hall (Meriden)	2 50
Doctors Woodman and Stanley, returning births and deaths	75
N. R. Andrews, services as ballot clerk	3 00
“ “ “ and expense board of health	20 46
L. H. Bugbee M. D., returning births and deaths	2 00
“ “ services and expenses, board of health	29 39
C. S. Burr, services with hearse	26 00
H. C. Daniels, support of watering trough	2 00
J. S. Stickney, repairs on road machine	2 25
J. W. Peterson, care of Wright lot and proportionate part for improvements in yard	2 00
D. C. Westgate, services one cord wood for town hall (Plain)	4 50
D. C. Westgate, services as moderator for six years	9 00
Board of health expense of quarantine at lumber camp	282 17
E. G. Kenyon, services and expense as board of health	17 74
M. G. Penniman, recording births, marriages and deaths	7 80
G. W. Heywood, services as ballot clerk at May meeting	1 00
“ “ damage to wagon on culvert	1 75
D. C. Westgate, cash paid for making and recording school ground deeds	2 28
Selectmen invoice books, telephone, postage and express	8 55
E. G. Kenyon, services as janitor for town hall (Plain)	5 90
W. W. Jordan, school supplies	16 89
O. S. Bugbee, indorsement on note	250 00
George Kendall, support watering trough	2 00
I. N. Fowler M. D., returning births and deaths 1903	50



Solon A. Carter, state tax	\$588 00
Moses P. Burpee, county tax	1608 75
Martha E. Holt, indorsement on town note	200 00

#### HIGHWAY ORDERS

A. L. Hadley	123 19
C. H. Peterson	178 90
E. E. Beers	11 40
J. M. Gibson	49 17
O. A. Stearns	780 45
“ “ 9448 ft. of lumber	134 26
L. C. Kenyon	63 27
H. A. Gilson	155 51
J. H. Cutting	148 00
E. J. Moulton	85 95
E. O. Eaton	93 75
C. S. Hersey,	119 85
F. W. True	5 50
L. C. Mason	24 60
B. F. Porter est., 4971 ft. of plank	74 57
“ “ estate	36 20
D. N. Moulton, 115 loads of gravel	11 50
D. C. Westgate, 2039 ft. of plank	32 62

#### SUPPORT OF PAUPERS AND DEPENDENT SOLDIERS' AID

O. V. Eastman	535 06
F. W. True	209 52

#### DOG ORDERS

E. C. Daniels	\$ 12 00
H. C. Gilson, services as dog constable	6 00
A. P. Jenney, examination	2 00

#### SCHOOL ORDERS

Wesley W. Jordan, support of schools	1803 01
“ repairs on schoolhouses	150 00
Total amount of disbursements	10938 11

Cash in treasury Feb. 15, 1905	\$ 1596 44
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	\$12534 55
Total amount receipts	\$12534 55

Respectfully submitted

E. G. KENYON, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, auditors of the town of Plainfield, have examined the foregoing accounts of the town treasurer, selectmen, and other agents of the town, also the accounts of the treasurer of the school district of the town of Plainfield, and find the same properly vouched and correctly cast.

ERNEST ROLISTON WOODBURY	}	Auditors
ALBERT K. READ		

## REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

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The library trustees would respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 15, 1905:

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1904	\$ 2 98
Received on order from selectmen	58 80
Received for fines and use of books by non-residents	6 38
	<hr/> \$68 16

Seventy-three volumes have been added during the year. A few volumes for reference have been received from Concord.

Express on same	\$ 40
Paid for 61 volumes	58 11
Paid for 10 "	2 90
Paid for express	1 45
Paid for printing slips	90
Paid for mucilage, etc.	45
	<hr/> \$64 21
Balance	<hr/> \$3 95

Only two volumes have been received as gifts: "Inside History of the Carnegie Steel Works," given by the author, and "The Outlaw," given by Bert Hill. Favors of this kind are always thankfully received.

JULIA A. BURR	}	Library Trustees
LETTIE S. KENYON		
MARION EASTMAN		



# BOOKS ADDED DURING THE YEAR

No.	Author
1270	The Inside History of the Carnegie Steel Co. J. H. Bridge
1271	Three Hundred Things a Bright Girl Can Do Kelley
1272	Virgilius I. Bacheller
1273	The One Woman T. Dixon
1274	The Old Regime in Canada Parkman
1275	Frontenac and New France under Louis XIV "
1276	Graustark McCutcheon
1277	The Mannerings Alice Brown
1278	Bred in the Bone T. Nelson Page
1279	Sir Mortimer Mary Johnston
1280	The Red Cross Clara Barton
1281	The Givers M. E. Wilkins
1282	Working with the Hands B. T. Washington
1283	The Pit Frank Norris
1284	Rutledge Miriam Harris
1285	Four Roads to Paradise M. Goodwin
1286	What Can She Do? E. P. Roe
1287	Biography of a Prairie Girl Elinor Gates
1288	Doris Farrand's Vocation Pansy
1289	Extracts from Adam's Diary Mark Twain
1290	Bruvver Jim's Baby P. V. Michels
1291	Phil, the Fiddler Alger
1292	Paul, the Peddler "
1293	A Jolly Cat Tale Amy Brooks
1294	Randy and Prue "
1295	A Ladder of Swords Gilbert Parker
1296	The Son of Royal Langrith W. D. Howells
1297	The Harkriders Ople Reid
1298	A Knight of Columbia Capt. Chas. King
1299	Rena's Experiment M. J. Holmes
1300	Old Gordon Graham Lorimer
1301	The Real Diary of a Real Boy Henry A. Shute
1302	The Crossing (Plain) W. Churchill
1303	" (Meriden) "

No.		
1304	Lady Rose's Daughter	Mrs. Humphrey Ward
1305	The Deliverance	Ellen Glasgow
1306	The Battle of the Slum	Jacob Riis
1307	Order No. 11	Caroline Abbott
1308	Rebecca	Kate D. Wiggin
1309	The Test	Mary T. Wright
1310	Golden Windows	Laura Richards
1311	The Heart of Rome	M. Crawford
1312	Letters from a Son to His Self-made Father	Lorimer
1313	Ursula's Freshman	Anna C. Ray
1314	Noble Blood	Capt. Chas. King
1315	New Hampshire	Sanborn
1316	The Vagabond	Palmer
1317	The Octopus	Frank Norris
1318	The Call of the Wild	Jack London
1319	The Fat of the Land	Dr. J. W. Streeter
1320	When Patty Went to College	Jean Webster
1321	Bob, the Son of Battle	Alfred Olivant
1322	Adventures of Elizabeth at Rugen	
1323	A Daughter of Dale	E. G. Taylor
1324	The Home Acre	E. P. Roe
1325	Memoirs of a Baby	J. Daskam
1326	The Blazed Trail	Stewart E. White
1327	Gordon Keith	T. Nelson Page
1328	The Georgians	W. N. Harben
1329	The Darron Enigma	M. L. Severy
1330	Dorothy Dainty	Amy Brooks
1331	A Dog's Tale	Mark Twain
1332	The Outlaw	Alger
1333	Julius, the Street Boy	"
1334	Sophomores of Radcliffe	Kellogg
1335	Uncle Tom's Cabin (Meriden)	Stowe
1336	Meadow Brook	M. J. Holmes
1337	Homestead on the Hillside	"
1338	Warrior Gap	Capt. Chas. King
1339	Uncle Tom's Cabin	Stowe
1340	The Young Circus Rider	Alger
1341	Which? Right or Wrong	Moreland
1341	Risen from the Ranks	Alger

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

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*To the Citizens of Plainfield:*

According to custom we respectfully submit our report of the management of the town schools for the year ending February 16, 1905.

### FINANCES

The cost of the schools for the year is as follows:

For support of schools	\$1981 04
Repairs	103 50
Supplies	141 89

The appropriations were as follows:

For support of schools	\$1803 01
Repairs	150 00
Supplies	141 89

As will be seen elsewhere, we were obliged to open a new school during the year. Therefore, only by rigid economy and by reducing the number of weeks in the school year, did we manage to keep within the appropriation. The town should appropriate this year at least \$300.00 extra for the support of its schools.

Your school board thought it advisable to open the Spencer school last spring and results during the past three terms have seemed to justify us in taking this course.

Eight of our ten schools have had three successive terms aggregating twenty-nine weeks for the year; two had only spring and fall terms in accordance with the parents' desire.

The Methodist Hill School was conducted along the same lines as last year, Enfield paying its propor-

tionate share of the cost of maintaining twenty-three weeks of school during the year.

We have endeavored as far as possible to keep each of our teachers in the same school for more than one term.

This prevents any break in the continuity of the work and each succeeding term shows better work than its predecessor. We are pleased with the standard of work maintained in the schools during the past year and believe that, judged singly or collectively, the work done will compare favorably with that of other years.

We would respectfully urge all parents to make their interest in the school manifest by a hearty and judicious cooperation with the teachers and by frequent visits to the school-room. Nothing is more gratifying to teachers or pupils than an expression of generous and hearty interest on the part of parents.

The citizens of the town could also manifest their interest in our schools by contributing pictures, portraits, or engravings suitable for school-room decoration. Our school-rooms need to be made more attractive and homelike.

In the judgment of the present school-board, schools where the average attendance is less than six should not be kept open. If the town desires its committee to maintain such schools, it should give its definite instructions to that effect.

We keep the children supplied with the best textbooks, in so far as we can. This year we have introduced into the schools the Frye geographies and the Heath readers. Both of these texts are giving excellent satisfaction. The Natural geographies and the Cyr's readers are still in use in many of the schools.

Below is the report of the school district treasurer.

WESLEY W. JORDAN,	} School board of Plainfield
LYDIA S. PENNIMAN,	
ERNEST ROLISTON WOODBURY,	



## ROLL OF HONOR

One term—Arthur J. Bortree, Clesson O. Bortree, Mary A. Daniels, Russell H. Kelty, May Goodwin, Harold Cutts, Raymond Cutts, Shirley French, Hazel Cutts, Maud Wheeler, Hittie Hersey, Hazel Freeman, Hazen F. West, Roy Morse, Leon O. Morse, Mary D. Burr, Florence M. Westgate, T. Kenneth Penniman, Dorothy W. Penniman, Lester Pratt, Harold R. West, Marion A. West, Alta M. West, Mildred E. Cutts, Carl F. Millner, Christie E. Millner, Clifford E. Millner, Ethel E. Millner, Gertrude M. Millner, Howard A. Millner, Frank D. Carr, Gladys V. Roberts, Hattie R. Woodworth, Dora L. Sturtevant, Mamie G. Sturtevant, Alice Avery, Blanche Avery, Bessie Avery, Charlie Emery, Eva M. Hill, Marguerite E. Lewin.

Two terms—Jennie L. Cook, Willie Talbot, Cora Goodwin, Esther West, Leslie R. Morgan, Mildred V. Whitaker, Will F. Holt, Laura I. Woodward, Inez A. Clark, Marion A. Cutts, Ethel M. Dimick, Hall Peterson, Gordon Plummer.

Three terms—Willie E. Goodwin, Carrie E. Rogers, Lena A. Rogers, Freddie A. Rogers, Claude O. Bonner, Villa D. Alexander, Freeman Spaulding.

## STATISTICS

School	Term	Teacher	No. of Pupils	Wages per month	Length. in wks
Black Hill	Spring	Lulu M. Jenney	9	\$20	9
	Fall	Julia Colby	7	20	10
	Winter	Lillian Hammond	7	20	10
Plain	Spring	Grace E. Colby	30	\$30	9
	Fall	Ina E. Bailey	28	30	10
	Winter	"	23	30	10
Spencer	Spring	Bernice E. Jordan	9	18	9
	Fall	Myrtie A. Powell	10	20	10
	Winter	Susie M. Hill	10	20	10
Whitaker	Spring	Frances M. Sanborn	8	20	9
	Fall	"	8	20	10
	Winter	"	8	20	10
Brook	Spring	Jennie Swackhamer	13	22	10
	Fall	"	10	24	11
	Winter	"	10	24	9
True	Spring	Helen Freeman	10	22	9
	Fall	Susie M. Freeman	8	20	9
	Winter	"	8	20	10
Penniman	Spring	Charlotte Estabrook	11	24	9
	Fall	Bernice E. Jordan	12	22	10
	Winter	"	10	22	10
Meriden	Spring	Mary E. Jordan	27	28	9
	Fall	Amy I. Hilliard	27	30	10
	Winter	"	25	30	10
East Plainfield	Spring	Lucy L. Eastman	11	22	9
	Fall	Helen E. Freeman	10	22	11
Methodist Hill	Spring	Bessie A. Barden	16	22	11
	Fall	"	17	22	11

## REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

School district of Plainfield in account with Wesley W. Jordan, district treasurer.

### SCHOOL MONEY

Amount in treasury Feb. 16, 1904	\$ 156 65
required to be raised by law	1176 00
raised by vote of district	300 00
received from Enfield	88 59
of literary fund	113 85
of land rent	80 24
of dog tax	132 92
Incidental	5 15
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Total	\$ 2053 40

### FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS

#### RECEIPTS

Amount in treasury Feb. 16, 1904	\$ 156 65
" received town treas. order	
selectmen	1803 01
Enfield district treasurer	88 59
Incidental	5 15
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Total	\$ 2053 40

#### EXPENDITURES

Paid teachers	\$1646 00
Cornish for tuition	54 60
for transportation	106 00
for janitor services	29 80
for cleaning	18 50
for wood	110 86
for miscellaneous	15 28
Balance on hand	72 36
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Total	\$2053 40

## SCHOOL SUPPLY ACCOUNT

### RECEIPTS

Received town treasurer's order selectmen	\$ 141 89
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### EXPENDITURES

Paid for books and supplies	\$ 141 89
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## REPAIR FUND

Amount unexpended last year	\$ 3 66	
raised by district	150 00	

<b>Total</b>	\$ 153 66	
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### RECEIPTS

Balance in treasury	\$ 3 66	
Received town treas. order selectmen	150 00	

<b>Total</b>	\$ 153 66	
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### EXPENDITURES

Paid for repairs on school building	\$ 103 50	
Balance on hand	50 16	

<b>Total</b>	\$ 153 66	
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# Births Registered in the Town of Plainfield for the year Ending Dec. 31, 1904.

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of the Child (If any)	Sex and Con.		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Col. of Parents	Res. of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Age of Father	Age of Mother
			Male	Female									
Jan. 30	P	Gilson	M		3 Hamden A. Gilson	Emma Southall	White	Plainfield	Farmer	Hartland, Vt.	Manc'ster, Eng.	64	36
Feb. 7	P	Edw'd Daniels	M	L	2 Henry C. Daniels	Ida M. Tibbitts		Plainfield	Farmer	Plainfield	W. Buxton, Me.	55	23
Feb. 28	M	Dorothea Wood	M	F	3 Ernest R. Woodbury	Fannie L. Gibson		Meriden	Prin. Acad.	Plainfield	North Conway	32	25
Mar. 8	P	Beatrice Bernice	M	F	9 Charles Wood	Lilla Austin		Plainfield	Laborer	Plainfield	Plainfield	37	33
Mar. 8	P			F	3 George Kendall	Ina M. Nichols		Plainfield	Farmer	Orange, Mass.	Lempster	27	19
Apr. 25	P			F	4 George Kendall	Ina M. Nichols		Plainfield	Farmer	Orange, Mass.	Lempster	27	19
June 23	P			F	2 Charles J. Empey	Jennie D. Westgate		Plainfield	Farmer	Canton, N.Y.	Plainfield	25	24
June 23	P			F	1 James W. Pratt	Mary Bynon		Plainfield	Laborer	Norwich, Eng.	Wales	25	24
July 20	P	Rolling Kimball	M	L	1 Harold W. Chellis	Mary E. Westgate		Plainfield	Farmer	Meriden	Plainfield	32	26
Aug. 7	P	Thelma Blish Cook	M	F	2 Charles Kimball	Bertha Chapman		Meriden	Laborer	Stafford, Vt.	Meriden	24	17
Aug. 8	P			F	3 Bruce Kimball	Carrie Chapman		Meriden	Farmer	Plainfield	Meriden	24	17
Aug. 23	P			F	2 W. George Blish	Grace G. Lake		Meriden	Farmer	Plainfield	Lebanon	36	26
Sept. 12	P			F	6 Fred Cook	Mabel Cook		E. Plainfield	Farmer	Burlington, Vt.	Lebanon	24	18
Sept. 28	P	Zella	M	F	1 Luther Westgate	Flossie Cole		Plainfield	Carpenter	Clarendon	East Plainfield	39	26
Oct. 23	P	Evan	M	F	1 George Parker	Helen Harvey		Plainfield	Farmer	North Groton	West Lebanon	26	25
Oct. 23	P	Priscilla	M	L	2 L. E. Shipman	Virginia F. Bythrow		Plainfield	Painter	Windor, Vt.	Lebanon	34	19
Nov. 2	P			L	2 George Dean	Ellen Biddle		Plainfield	Writer	Brooklyn, N.Y.	Phil'd'phia, Pa	35	35
Nov. 13	P			F	1 William B. Tracey	Clara E. Emery		Plainfield	Laborer	W. Windsor, Vt	W. Windsor, Vt	22	18
Dec. 13	P	Dellwyn Gladys	M	L	1 Leon D. Clark	Pearl E. Hadley		Plainfield	Farmer	Cornish	Plainfield	27	17
Dec. 25	P			F	1 Maxfield Parrish	Lillian B. Rice		Plainfield	Farmer	Plainfield	Bear River, N.S.	24	20
Dec. 25	P			F	1 Ernest Goodwin	Lydia Austin		E. Plainfield	Artist	Phil'd'phia, Pa	Woodsto'n, N.J.	34	32
Dec. 25	P			F		Louie Bartlett		E. Plainfield	Farmer	East Plainfield	Croydon	27	22

# Marriages Registered in the Town of Plainfield for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1904.

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age in Years	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of birth of each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	No. of Marriages	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married
Mar. 1	Plainfield	Lucius A. Westgate Flossie E. Cole	Plainfield Cornish	21 18	Farmer Housekeeper	Plainfield Plainfield	Warren Westgate Lucella Hadley Willis Cole	Plainfield Plainfield Cornish	Farmer Housewife Farmer	1	Rev. Geo. C. Trow Plainfield
9	Meriden	Ernest Goodwin Louie Bartlett	Plainfield Plainfield	26 21	Farmer Housekeeper	Plainfield Croydon	Nozolla Bixby Henry Goodwin Abbie Poole	Scott's P. O. Plainfield Plainfield	Farmer Housewife Laborer	1	Rev. A. J. Bailey Meriden
30	Lebanon	Herman Willard Jennie Carpenter	Plainfield Woodstock, Vt.	29 39	Farmer Housekeeper	Pomfret, Vt. Woodstock, Vt.	Hanson Bartlett Albert Willard Melissa Gay	Plainfield Hartford, Vt. Hartford, Vt.	Housekeeper Farmer Housekeeper	2	Rev. J. E. Whitley Lebanon
Apr. 29	Meriden	Harrison Duffill Marian Munroe	Boston, Mass. Meriden	25 22	Comm'n'l Teacher Teacher	Somersworth Medway, Mass.	John Davis Ann Anderson Thomas Duffill Sarah Ricker	Woodstock, Vt. Somersworth Somersworth Medway, Mass.	Housekeeper Painter Housekeeper Merchant	1	Rev. A. J. Bailey Meriden
June 28	Plainfield	Herman A. Cleveland Jennie M. Chase	Bridgewater, Vt. Bridgewater, Vt.	22 17	Farmer Housekeeper	Bridgewater, Mass. Bridgewater, Vt.	Tamson Barrows John Cleveland Louisa Perkins	Vin. Hav. Mass. Bridgewater, Vt. Bridgewater, Vt.	Farmer Housekeeper Blacksmith	1	Rev. Geo. C. Trow Plainfield
Aug. 11	Meriden	George F. Lewin Maude M. Welch	Plainfield Bellows Falls, Vt.	28 21	Butcher Housekeeper	Plainfield Bellows Falls, Vt.	Ella Pinney Benj. F. Lewin Lucy A. Walker James Welch Mary Walsh	Rochester, Vt. Plainfield Springfield, Vt. Arlington, Vt. Prince Edw. Is.	Housekeeper Butcher Housekeeper Laborer Housekeeper	1	Rev. A. J. Bailey Meriden

# Marriages Registered in the Town of Plainfield for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1904.

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Age in Years	Occupation of groom and bride	Place of birth of each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	No. of Marriage	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married
Aug. 31	Lebanon	Leon L. Cobb	E. Plainfield	26	Farmer	E. Plainfield	Lucien E. Cobb	Cornish	Farmer	1	Rev. F. L. Knapp Lebanon
		Olive M. Currier	E. Plainfield	18	Housekeeper	E. Plainfield	Clara Talbert	East Plainfield	Housekeeper		
Sept. 2	Plainfield	B. Smith Hill	Plainfield	31	Painter	Plainfield	Orrin Currier	Plainfield	Carpenter	1	B. F. Porter, J. P. Plainfield
		Virginia F. Bythrow	Thetford Vt	19	Housekeeper	Lyme	Sadie Fifield	Charlestown	Machinist		
	Meriden	Samuel L. Parkhurst	Windsor Vt	29	Machinist	Windsor Vt	Lucy Stickney	Plainfield	Housewife	1	Rev. A. L. Powell Meriden
		Julia L. Bicknell	Plainfield	21	Waitress	Plainfield	Herbert Bythrow	Greenwich, R. I.	Carpenter		
Oct. 12	Danbury	Herman A. Stuart	Meriden	23	Clerk	Danbury	Minnie Nash	Plainfield	Housewife	1	Rev. E. C. Hayes Danbury
		Lillian A. Wiggins	Lebanon	18	Housekeeper	Elkins	Luther Parkhurst	Windsor, Vt.	Housekeeper		
	Meriden	Allen C. Wilmot	Plainfield	40	Carpenter	Thetford Vt	Lucia Spaulding	Windsor, Vt.	Housekeeper	1	Rev. A. L. Powell Meriden
		Isora E. Stearns	Meriden	41	Cook	Bridgewater, Vt.	Chester Bicknell	Plainfield	Farmer	2	
		George H. Swain	Hill	24	Cutter	Hill	Julia Buckman	Plainfield	Housewife	1	Rev. A. J. Bailey Meriden
Dec. 25	Meriden	Jennie Howe	Meriden	30	Operator	Plainfield	George W. Stuart	Danbury	Housekeeper	2	
							Dixie Wiggins	Danbury	Clerk		
							Alice Jackson	Danbury	Housekeeper		
							E. E. Wilmot	Thetford, Vt.	Farmer		
							Susan Wiggins	Corinth, Vt.	Housekeeper		
							Dexter Cutts	Plainfield	Blacksmith		
							Marie Rand	Bridgewater, Vt.	Housekeeper		
							Frank Swain	Meredith	Farmer		
							Augusta Plummer	Canaan	Housekeeper		
							Henry B. Howe	Acworth	Carpenter		
							Mary J. Stevens	Cornish	Housewife		



# Deaths Registered in the Town of Plainfield for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1904.

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	S. & C.		Occupation	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
			Years	Months	Days		Male	Female					
Jan. 6	P	John Morse	62	9	10	Sharon, Vt.	M	M	m Farmer	England	Plainfield	Omrill Morse	Lucinda Roberts
Jan. 17	S	Willis S. Woodward	25			Plainfield	M	M	s Merchant	Plainfield	Grantham	Thomas Watson	Annie Chellis
Feb. 8	P	Sophia P. Watson	88	7	11	"	F	F	m Laborer	Meriden	Wolfeboro	Alpheus Roberts	Abigail C. Howe
Feb. 9	P	Perley Roberts	82	4	9	"	M	M	s Farmer	Grantham	Lebanon	Frederick Woodward	Lucy Fay
Feb. 18	P	Luther H. Woodward	57	4	29	Essex, Vt.	M	M	s Farmer	Grantham	Lebanon	Amos Spaulding	Anna P. Packard
Mar. 12	P	Edwin Spaulding	73				F	F					
Mar. 16	R	Laura W. Kingsbury	85				F	F					
Mar. 18	w	Chas. F. Alexander	42				M	M					
Mar. 20	P	Sarah Jordan	71	8	3	New York state	F	F	w Farmer	New York	New York	Philip Hadley	Sarah Holbrook
Mar. 28	P	George W. Rowell	75	11	20	East Plainfield	M	M	m " "	Grantham	No. Hampton	Jacob Rowell	Polly Currier
Apr. 28	M	John H. French	71	11	20	Meriden	M	M	m " "	Meriden	Wolfeboro	John French	Harriet Barry
June 3	M	Lurinda F. Drew	69	2	5	Hancock	F	F	m Housekeeper			Benjamin Hall	Mary Root
Aug. 1	M	Calista R. Hadley	77	3	28	Plainfield	F	F	w Laborer	Colebrook	Plainfield	Anthony W. Jordan	Almira Chapman
Aug. 6	M	Andrew J. Chapman	77	7	28	Meriden	M	M	m Surgeon	Plainfield	Lyme	Samuel Chapman	Louisa Barbour
Aug. 14	w	Francis LeB. Monroe	68	4	25	Medway, Mass.	M	M	m Farmer	Sutton, Mass.	Medway, Mass.	Alex. LeB. Monroe	Elizabeth Milner
Sept. 16	H	Freeman J. Milner	59	10	17	Nova Scotia	M	M	m Laborer	Nova Scotia	Plainfield	Oliver Milner	Susan Hadley
Sept. 27	P	John Sweet	54	10	17	Plainfield	M	M	m Farmer	Plainfield	Lebanon	Frank Sweet	Virginia Bythrow
Oct. 30	P	Glen Hill	20			"	M	M	s Scholar	Winchendon, Mass.	Plainfield	B. Smith Hill	Sarah Hadley
Nov. 19	P	George J. French	86	4	24	Royalst'n, Mass	M	M	m Farmer	Winchendon, Mass.	Plainfield	George French	Mabel Goddard
Nov. 22	P	Harland F. Walker	13	2	1		M	M	m Farmer	Volontown, Ct.	Canvondish, Vt	Ferdinand Walker	Eliza Green
Dec. 13	P	Benjamin F. Porter	52	3	15	Plainfield	M	M	m Farmer	Volontown, Ct.	Canvondish, Vt	Jabez Porter	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

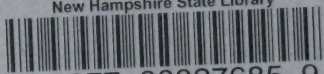
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